

REMARKS

The Office Action dated January 24, 2006 has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments to the claims and the following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

Claims 1 and 13 are amended to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the present invention. No new matter is added. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that claims 1, 3-13 and 15-24 would be in condition for allowance if the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph are addressed. Applicants respectfully submit that the present claims are in condition for allowance in light the above amendments. Claims 1, 3-13 and 15-24 are respectfully submitted for consideration.

The Office Action rejected claims 1, 3-13, and 15-24 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the present invention. Specifically, the Office Action suggested that claims 1 and 13 be amended to replace the phrase "the service" with "one of said services", replacing the phrase "previously unknown" to "not within said service definition data", and replacing the term "known" to the phrase "within said service definition data" in claim 1 and similarly in claim 13.

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1 and 13 are amended in order to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention as required

in the Office Action. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 3-13 and 15-24 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph is respectfully requested.

As stated above, the Office Action indicated that claims 1, 3-13 and 15-24 would be allowable if amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. In light of the above mentioned amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that each of claims 1, 3-13 and 15-24 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that each of claims 1, 3-13 and 15-24 be allowed and this application passed to issue.

If for any reason the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by telephone, the applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-2222.

Respectfully submitted,

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